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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

Majority prices were mostly unchanged in all areas when compared to previous week. Trade sentiment was generally steady, at times fully steady in the West and Midwest. Retail and food service demand was light to moderate with best movement for features and fast food promotions. Supplies of all sizes were usually sufficient to satisfy trade needs. In the parts structure, demand was fair to good following the weekend, with needs being assessed as Labor Day approached. Wings were barely adequate to tight, breast items were balanced to well cleared, and dark meat was readily available. In production areas, live supplies were mostly moderate. Weights were desirable to light, but mostly desirable.

<u>Final Report</u> of prices negotiated for trucklot sales of ready-to-cook icepacked broiler/fryers (includes branded product) to be delivered to first receivers at major market centers week of 28-AUG-2006 (cents per lb)

_	US GRADE A		(COMPOSIT	E
<u>AREAS</u>	MAJORITY	WTD	LOADS	WTD	LOADS
		<u>AVG</u>		<u>AVG</u>	
Boston/New En	gland TFEWR		:	62.84	18
Chicago	63.00-66.00	65.57	36 :	66.92	63
Ohio Cities	TFEWR		:	67.66	21
Denver	77.50	77.16	14 :	77.83	16
Detroit	65.00	66.58	12:	69.07	45
Los Angeles	78.00	76.97	67 :	73.62	149
New York	64.00-67.00	65.76	21 :	66.98	40
Philadelphia	63.50-65.00	64.50	12:	65.33	23
Pittsburgh	63.00-66.00	65.08	12:	69.26	58
St. Louis	65.00-65.25	64.70	20 :	65.92	34
San Francisco	78.50	78.17	32 :	77.71	71

Composite Weighted Average

Loads	08/28/06	Change Last Wk	08/21/06	08/29/05
538	69.69	.62	69.07	71.38

WOG BROILERS (without giblets) - prices paid per lb delvd to first receivers in trucklot and less than trucklot quantities.

REGIONS	<u>Majority</u>	Wtd Avg	Loads		
Eastern	69.00-70.50	69.64	33		
Central	66.00-72.00	69.12	63		
Western	71.00-76.00	73.39	43		
Southeast Area FOB Dock Equivalent					
Mississippi	68.00-71.00	70.91	91		

GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for this week's trading is 70.75 cents based on icepacked USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds.

		MONDAY FINAL WTD AVG
<u>LOADS</u>	RANGE	FOB DOCK OR EQUIVALENT
1,157	64.00-76.00	69.98
The Georgia f.o.b. dock	confirmed final	weighted average prices on
ice packed parts:	WTD AVG	VOLUME
LINE RUN TENDERS	165.50	1,441
BREASTS - B/S	155.00	5,954
BREASTS - WHOLE	84.00	1,512
THIGH MEAT - B/S	88.00	1,166
LEG QUARTERS	38.50	9,385
WINGS	95.00	2,841

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NORTHEAST REGION BROILER/FRYER Trucklot buying activity on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers ranged light to fairly good entering the week. Offerings of all sizes were fully sufficient for current trade needs. Movement through retail and distributive channels was fair to moderate. The market tone was generally steady. In the parts complex, breast items, tenders, and wings were well cleared to tight. Other items were mostly adequate and clearing satisfactorily.

SOUTHERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS Trade sentiment was mostly steady. Demand following the weekend was fair to moderate with good clearances, and optimism for next week as first of the month and Labor Day approached. Supplies of all sizes were usually sufficient to satisfy trade needs. In the parts structure, interest was fair to good. Breast items and wings were in good balance to tight and continued moving well at premium levels. Dark meat was adequate to more available with mixed interest. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mostly desirable weights.

WESTERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS Final majority prices were unchanged. The market tone was fully steady. Trading reported for this weeks' delivery at unchanged prices on regular commitments, and generally higher on new negotiations. Offerings were adequate overall. Buying activity slightly improved, but was under seasonal expectations. Buyers re-evaluate requirements for the up-coming Labor Day needs. Retailer demand was best were features in progress or planned. Dealers reported moderate weekend carryovers. White meat items were fully steady to firm with dark meat items about steady. Parts trading reported on leg quarters at 40-48, leg meat 91-95, drumsticks 39-44, wings 106-109, bone-on breast 88-108 and boneless breasts 145-150. The Los Angeles negotiated WOG weighted average was up .90 to 72.10, and the volume reported up 20 percent to 30 loads.

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYER Final majority prices were unchanged into St. Louis and Chicago; unchanged to slightly higher in Detroit; Ohio cities TFEWR. Whole fryer market tone was steady to fully steady on light to moderate offerings. Retail and food service trade was light to moderate, best on promotions. Floor stocks were in close balance to fully adequate; sizes mostly desirable. Supplies of breast cuts were available to tight; wings very tight, and leg items were fully available. The trade sentiment was firm on wings, steady to firm on breast items and steady to barely steady on dark meat cuts.

<u>DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS</u> Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was light to fairly good for early week business. Offerings were in balance to fully sufficient. Live supplies were moderate; weights were mostly desirable. Processing schedules were moderate to moderately heavy. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 65 to 77 cents. Trade sentiment was usually steady. In the parts complex, breasts items were in fair to close balance. Wings and tenders were clearing. Dark meat items were in fair balance but slowed.

*BROILER/FRYER CURRENT NEGOTIATED PRICES FOR IMMEDIATE DELIVERY INCLUDES MOSTLY MULTIPLE-DROP SHIPMENTS OF BRANDED AND WING TAGGED TO NEW YORK CITY FROM DELMARVA

BRANDED U.S. GRADE A

RANGE	64-79
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	(A)
NO. OF BOXES	(A)

(A) Not reported to avoid disclosing individual operations

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS Trucklot buying interest was moderately good as dealers assess market conditions in preparation of the upcoming holiday weekend. Offerings of breast items, wings and tenderloins were in close balance to well cleared. Dark meat cuts were adequate and clearing satisfactorily. Movement through retail and distributive channels was fair to moderate. The market tone was fully steady to firm for breast item, wings and tenders; steady on the balance of items.

ICE PACKED BROILER/FRYER PARTS, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS IN POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES, CENTS PER POUND

	CURRENT	WTD	VOLUME
<u>ITEM</u> NEGOTIATEI	O TRADING	AVG	/LBS
BREAST - B/S	160-165	146.29	524,720
TENDERLOINS	150-155	149.88	198,800
BREAST - WITH RIBS	86-87	87.48	78,320
BREAST - LINE RUN	86	86.91	75,520
LEGS	49-50	51.73	72,400
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	38-39	39.09	273,200
DRUMSTICKS	37-38	48.35	42,734
THIGHS	35-36	36.89	75,800
B/S THIGHS	91-92	93.01	49,560
WINGS (WHOLE)	102-103	103.24	157,360
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPE	D) 10-12	11.29	10,200
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	30-35	31.61	5,880
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	50-55	55.91	12,400

INCLUDES NEW YORK CITY METROPOLITAN AREA, NORTHERN NEW JERSEY, MASSACHUSETTS, CONNECTICUT, RHODE ISLAND, AND PENNSYLVANIA (NORTHEAST OF HARRISBURG).

ARKANSAS BROILER/FRYER PARTS F.O.B. DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, ICED-PACKED. PRICES SHOWN ARE DAY OF SHIPMENT (INCLUDES CURRENT AND PRIOR NEGOTIATIONS), TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT

VOLUME, CENTS PER P	OUND.			WT.
<u>ITEM</u>	LBS (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	AVG
BREAST - B/S	2,024	128.00-198.00	146-149	147.52
TENDERLOINS	406	142.00-217.00	142-147	146.51
BREAST - WITH RIB	S T	TOO FEW TO RE	EPORT	
FRONT HALVES	Т	TOO FEW TO RE	EPORT	
LEGS	Т	TOO FEW TO RE	EPORT	
LEG QUARTERS (BI	JLK) 848	33.00-43.00	33-36	34.80
LEG QUARTERS (4/	10) 1,099	36.00-42.00	36-37	37.34
WINGS (WHOLE)	763	76.00-115.00	90-92	92.19
DRUMSTICKS	Т	TOO FEW TO RE	EPORT	
THIGHS	1.368	32.00-36.00	32	32.14

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS (IN THOUSANDS)

<u>E\$</u>	STIMATE	ACTUAL	AVG WTS	ACTUAL A	NG WTS
	08/28	08/24	08/24	08/21	08/17
Alabama	4,140	4,145	5.23	4,019	5.20
Arkansas	5,354	5,342	5.16	5,296	5.08
Delmarva	2,265	2,279	5.54	2,255	5.68
KY-LA-TN	2,191	2,323	5.01	2,275	4.88
Mississippi	2,935	2,851	5.71	2,851	5.79
North Carolin	a 2,695	2,663	6.59	2,636	6.63
Texas	2,511	2,610	5.15	2,273	5.21
Total	22,091	22,213	5.44	21,605	5.43
Mon	22,091(A)		21,605(A))
(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.					

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 28-Aug 2006 is estimated to be 33,051,000 up 1.95 percent from a week ago and up

7.7 percent from a year ago.

(last week 32,420,000 last year 30,680,000)

SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS F.O.B. DOCK OR EQUIVA-LENT, ICED-PACKED, PRICES SHOWN ARE DAY OF SHIPMENT (INCLUDES CURRENT AND PRIOR NEGOTIATIONS), TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUME, CENTS PER POUND.

DOLINDS

	POUN	IDS		WID
<u>ITEM</u>	(000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	<u>AVG</u>
BREAST - B/S	706	142.00-205.00	147-152	152.07
TENDERLOINS	325	143.00-202.00	144-148	152.75
BREAST - LINE RUN	139	82.00-89.00	84-85	84.40
FRONT HALVES	Т	OO FEW TO RE	PORT	
LEGS	174	45.00-62.00	46-47	47.22
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	588 (30.00-38.00	34	33.92
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,184	33.00-40.00	36-37	36.96
WINGS (WHOLE)	295	90.00-101.00	92-94	94.27
WINGS (CUT)	290	110.00-118.00	114-117	116.24
DRUMSTICKS	Т	OO FEW TO RE	PORT	
THIGHS	Т	OO FEW TO RE	PORT	
B/S THIGHS	Т	OO FEW TO RE	PORT	
WHOLE BODY INDEX BA	******	N SOUTHERN S	STATES PAR	******** RTS

TRADING FOR AUG 28, 2006 — F.O.B. DOCK.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
52.00 - 58.50	55.63	55.12

The Index is intended solely as an indicator of values for commodity-type product and does not represent industry's willingness to sell or ability to buy.

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYER PARTS ICE-PACKED POOL

TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES DELIVERED TO: IL, IN, IA, KS, MI, MN, MO, NE, ND, OH, SD, AND WI WEEK OF 28-AUG-TO 01-SEP-2006

	Price (Cents) Per L	b. Mostly
BREAST - B/S	136.00 -161.00	142.00 - 150.00
BREAST - LINE RUN	82.00 - 110.00	85.00 - 90.00
LEGS	46.00 - 51.00	-
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	32.00 - 41.00	38.00 - 40.00
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	38.00 - 43.00	40.00 - 42.00
DRUMSTICKS	34.00 - 47.00	-
THIGHS	33.00 - 50.00	-
WINGS (WHOLE)	94.00 - 111.00	98.00 - 102.00
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIP	PED) 12.00 - 25.00	-
LIVERS	30.00 - 39.00	-
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	40.00 - 50.00	-

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED POULTRY, **DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS**

RANGE

WOGS 2# & UP - WHOLE 83.25-101.25 WOGS 2# & UP - CUT UP 8&9 PIECES 86.75-103.75

FROZEN HENS 5# & UP FROZEN DUCKS

FROZEN SQUABS

DELIVERED TO RETAILERS IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA)

FRESH FRYERS 91-100 **ROASTERS 4# & UP** 99-108 HENS UNDER 5# HENS OVER 5# 65-74 **DUCKS**

RABBITS-WHOLE

RABBITS-CUT UP

SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED POULTRY

DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

		RANGE	
FRESH FRYERS	ICE PACK	91-103	
	DRY PACK	110-114	
ROASTERS 4# & UP	ICE PACK	100	
	DRY PACK	111-118	
HENS OVER 5#	ICE PACK	88-102	
	DRY PACK	102-109	
DUCKS		185-190	

 ^{*} TODAY'S NEGOTIATED SALES AS OF 11:30 A.M.

^{**} WTD AVG PRICE OF ALL GRADES AND BRANDS OF PRODUCT SHIPPED, OR TO BE SHIPPED AS OF 1:30 P.M.

EASTERN REGION MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN

F.O.B. SHIPPER DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN THE EASTERN REGION IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND, DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS.

	AUGUST 25, 2006			
CHICKEN WITH SKIN ADDED		PRICES VOLUME		
	(Cents p	er Pound)		
FAT	ED 0.7EN	FDFOU	TOTAL	EVDODE
CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				

RANGE 17.50 18.00 492,000 212.000 WTD AVERAGE 17.50 18.00 15-20% **RANGE** 15.50-21.00 13.00-16.00 1.448.000 728,000 WTD AVERAGE 17.54 14.39

RANGE - 14.00 120,000 - WTD AVERAGE 14.00 - 14

CENTRAL REGION MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN

F.O.B. SHIPPER DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN THE CENTRAL REGION IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND, DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS.

AUGUST 25, 2006

CHICKEN WITH SKIN ADDED — PRICES — VOLUME — (Cents per Pound)

FAT

CONTENT FROZEN FRESH TOTAL EXPOR

EXPORT 15% OR LESS RANGE 15.50 18.00 123,600 WTD AVERAGE 15.50 18.00 15-20% **RANGE** 14.00-20.00 13.00-17.00 1,824,800 1,049,600 WTD AVERAGE 15.28 14.97 20% OR MORE RANGE WTD AVERAGE

SOUTHEAST HEAVY LIVE HEN Prices were unchanged when compared to a week earlier. Demand was light and generally unaggressive for the fully adequate offerings of spent hens. Processing schedules were noted as mostly normal. Sales of finished product was fair at best. The undertone was no better than steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *

20% OR MORE

NY, PA, RI, SC, VA, VT, WV

FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 28-AUG-06

RANGE MAJORITY WTD

AVG

AT FARM BUYER LOADING 2-7 4.87
AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING TOO FEW TO REPORT
FOB PLANT TOO FEW TO REPORT

<u>SOUTH CENTRAL HEAVY LIVE HEN</u> Trading levels were generally unchanged from the past week. Demand was moderate for fully adequate supplies of spent hens. Schedules were reduced. Finished sales were slow. Trade sentiment was at least steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *
PRELIMINARY PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR
SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 28-AUG-06

RANGE MAJORITY WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING 2-8 5.27

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^{*} INCLUDES THE STATES of AL, AR, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA, MI, MN, MO, MS, ND, NE, OK, OH, SD, TN, TX, WI

^{*}WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

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